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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

TSUJI et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR INPUT  
PROTECTION CIRCUIT

Art Unit: 2811

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application the period of response extended by one month, to May 6, 2003, by the attached petition and fee, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 20, 21, and 22 have been cancelled, without prejudice.

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended. Claims 23 - 26 have been added.

1. (Twice Amended) An input protection circuit comprising: